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SULLIVAN OR LEWIS TO FIGHT

Melody's Next Rival Will Be One of These Warriors.

HAS DANGEROUS WALLOP

Boston Welter-Weight Will Meet Winner of the Coming Denver Battle.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., February 20.—Honey Bill Melody, the Boston welter-weight, will meet the winner of the Harry Lewis-Mike Twin Sullivan fight, which is scheduled in Denver at an early date.

Melody has won many notable glove contests since he has been before the public, but his record is dulled by two decisive defeats. One was that of Andy of Buddy Ryan, while the other reverse occurred last September, when Joe Thomas knocked him out after eleven rounds of fighting.

The Boston fighter is one of the stiffest punchers of his class, and he generally wins his victories by the knock-out route. His most recent performance was against Willie Lewis, of New York.

He finished the New Yorker in four rounds without extending himself. Melody also met Lewis last year in a hurricane battle. In this bout Lewis had a decided advantage until there was a sudden turn in the tide.

Melody, dazed from Lewis's blow, was reeling about the ring with his opponent trying to land a finishing blow.

Taking quick advantage of an opening, Melody, with a superhuman effort, put all of his fast waiving strength into one dinging blow and it caught Lewis in the chin and knocked him out. This fight showed that his punch at all times makes him a dangerous man, but in science and ring generalship he is not so formidable.

Melody is a young man of good habits, who saves his money. He is a regular churchgoer and is highly regarded by his neighbors. Melody claims the world's welter-weight championship because last October he out-pointed Joe Walcott, who now is passe.

All ring experts do not concede Melody's claim to the title, because of his defeat at the hands of Thomas, the Californian, who has never lost a ring engagement since he has been prominent before the public.

COTTON WINS PRIZE.

Makes Score of 109 Pins at Williams Alleys—Smith's Second.

The regular weekly roll for the prize at Williams' alleys was held last night before a large and interested crowd of bowling enthusiasts.

Cotton made high score, having 102 pins to his credit. Smith followed a close second, with 107.

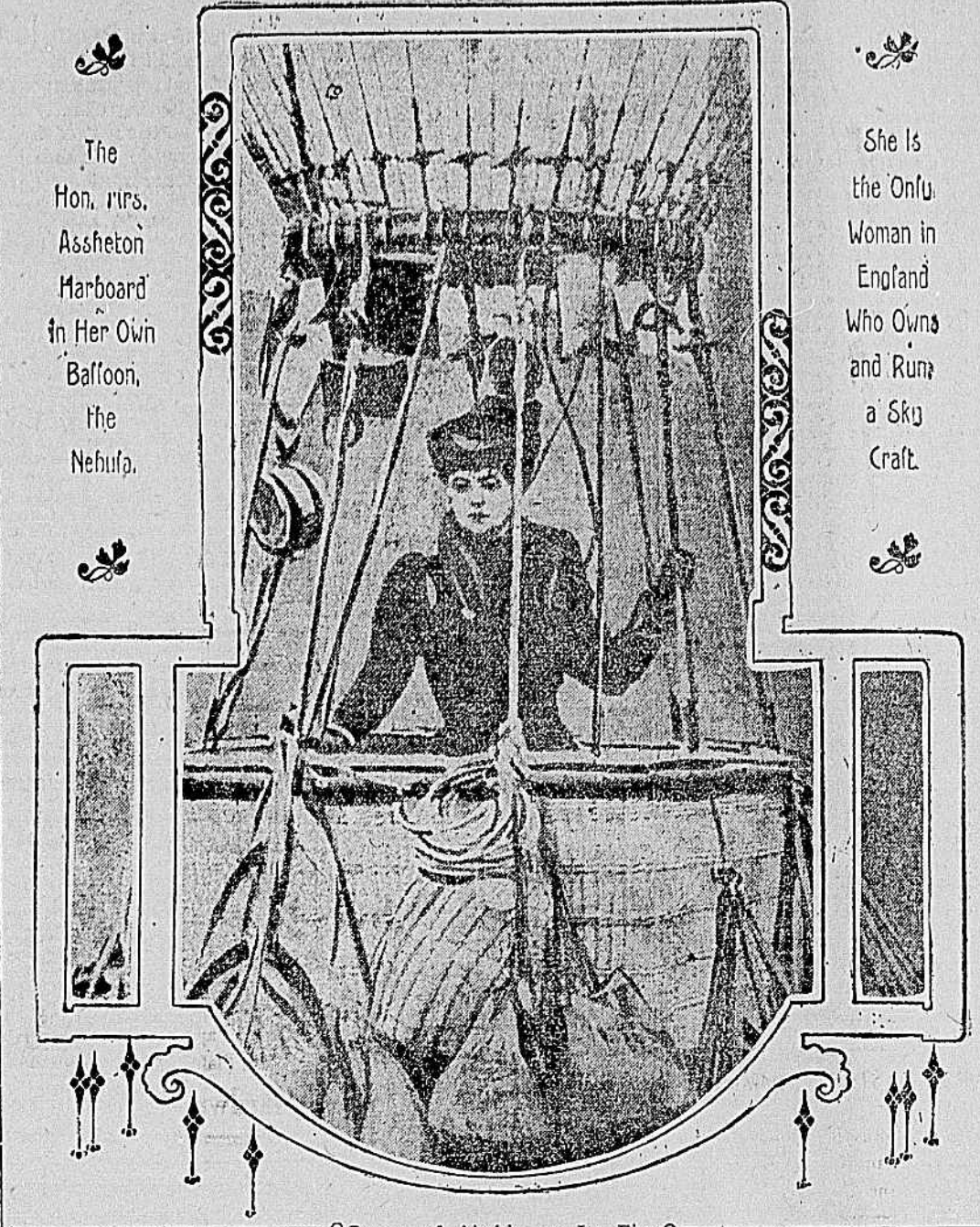
The players and scores were as follows:

Smith	107
Cotton	102
Trout	95
Burlinghoff	95
Jones	106
Hicks	81
Watson	80
He	78
Gallagher	73
Getze	73

San Johnson's Empire Staff.

CHICAGO, February 20.—President Johnson last night announced his staff of umpires for the coming season. Those who come from New England with strong recommendations, will be a new face to American League fans, O'Loughlin, Connolly,

WOMAN FLIES HER OWN BALLOON, GOING NEARLY A MILE A MINUTE



Owner of Airship on Its First Voyage Covers Fifty Miles in Sixty-Five Minutes.

OXFORD WINS.

Beats Cambridge at Football by Score of 2 to 1.

LONDON, February 20.—The annual association football match between Oxford and Cambridge was played at the Queen's Club here this afternoon, and resulted in a victory for Oxford by 2-1. There was a large attendance.

Baseball Pitcher Under Arrest.

KANSAS CITY, February 20.—G. S. Corridon, a professional baseball pitcher, who played a portion of last season in East, was put under arrest last night charged with passing worthless checks. Corridon is under contract to play this season with the Cincinnati National League team, having been sold last week by the Topeka Western Association Club. Corridon played at Memphis a part of last year.

LITTLE TALKS ON BASEBALL.

NEW YORK, February 20.—Clarke Griffith, the manager of the Highlanders, believes there is less and less tendency on the part of the rule makers in baseball to make changes in the playing code.

He reckons that the public is fairly well pleased with the game as it is played in these days, and prefers sport to which single runs decide contests, bitterly fought to those in which there is so much batting that one side is swamped, and that both sides become weary. Other players are barely able to drag themselves around the bases.

"The great trouble with a heavy hitting game," said the Highlander, "is that when I speak of a heavy hitting game I mean one in which a bundle of base hits and a great number of runs are made in one inning, is that the team fortunate enough to count them gets so much edge on the other fellows that they never have the ambition to come back. Once in a while the team which is behind will brace up and fight desperately to the end, but they overcome the advantage of their opponents, but as a rule a lead of five or six runs takes the ginger away from the contest. On the other hand, in games which are neck and neck all through, one side or the other holding the lead in alternate innings, spectators and all the fun for their money that they may possibly expect. If the contest happens to be won by the home team in the ninth inning there is even more enthusiasm for the patrons of the sport."

"In watching the temper of the crowds which have been looking at baseball games for the last three years I have learned that there is vastly more satisfaction on the part of the enthusiasts if they are able to see a contest fought for a run or two than they are treated to a slugfest match. No matter if the home team does win in the bombardment, there has been lacking that element of excitement upon which the manager of the game is based. It strikes me that the average crowd will take the defeat of the home team much better than a 10 to 1 or 20 to 1 victory of that sort, than it will when the figures are 10 to 1, although it is a fact that a 10 to 1 defeat is no more vital in the race for the pennant than a 1 to 0 beating."

The closer game, as a rule, keeps the interest of the spectators alive, and when you can't please the crowds who come to see your games your patronage will quickly begin to show it. From the standpoint of one who has the national game at heart, I should like to see all contests fought to the finish, and I suppose that once in a while I should have to put up with my own team being beaten. Take baseball in general, and I believe the present we are giving the public is the best, with the modern style of play, than the teams of fifteen years ago were giving, when there was one-sided scores. The more that you

can equalize the strength of teams the greater the study which is made of the contests by the regular baseball enthusiasts, and the more satisfaction they have following out their own theories as they happen to be exemplified by the lines, which are part of the game. In the Eastern and American leagues also, they play so much better ball, nowadays, that the managers of those leagues tell me they have twice the hold on the patrons of their cities that they did in the past. If it were not for that, they would have to permit that sort of thing, they would have their troubles to get along. It seems to me to be a tolerably good sport as it is running at present."

There has been some wonder expressed that Abbatichio turned down the fine offer which he received from the New York nine. All the facts of the case have never been told. Last year, when the Giants wanted another good infielder and were willing to pay almost any price to obtain one, that the batting average of the team might be improved, representatives of the New York team went to Abbatichio's home, near Pittsburgh, and opened negotiations to obtain his release. Permission had been obtained to engage him from the Boston club.

The offer which was made to him was \$5,000 a year for two years. Abbatichio wanted to come. He said there was nothing which would give him greater pleasure than to engage himself with the Giants. Before he could leave, however, he would have to ascertain what effect it would have on the tavern which he keeps. License laws are very strict in Pennsylvania, and he feared that if he left Latrobe, his town—the judges would deprive him of his license.

Very quietly he went about the task of ascertaining how he stood with the courts. He used influence to have a ruling in his favor, but it was hinted to him strongly that if he went away from Latrobe to play in New York his license would be taken up and he would find that his tavern venture was worthless.

So far as the prospect of receiving \$10,000 for two years was concerned, Abbatichio would gladly have given up his license and joined the Giants, for it was more money than he could expect to make at home, but he feared that if he did anything of the kind the judges would not grant him a license in future, and he is anxious to keep his tavern in order that he may be a landlord when he becomes older.

He gave the matter no little consideration and finally informed the New York owners that he thought his best business interests remained in Pennsylvania, and he would have to stick by the tavern.

His home is so near Pittsburgh that it will not affect his playing with the Pittsburgh team, and for that reason he can again become a professional and still remain in favor with the courts of Pennsylvania.

The only other feature of interest in connection with the Abbatichio case is the extreme enthusiasm which was shown by three or four teams to obtain his services in a moment it was believed that McGraw wanted him.

ROUGH RIDING AT CITY PARK

Jockey Named After the Three Star Brandy Held Up the Field.

AND THEN GOT BEAT AT HOME

Arabo, a 25 to 1 Gamble, Loped Off with the Swag in the Selling Event.

NEW ORLEANS, February 20.—The feature of the racing at the Fair Grounds to-day, the five furlong handicap, was a rough race. Jockey Robinson, on Sir Taddington, the favorite, in attempting to get in front, cut off nearly every horse in the field, making them pull up. Sir Taddington kept the lead until the sixteenth pole, when Toboggan came with a rush and won.

First race—six furlongs, selling—Kaiserhoff (13 to 5) first, No Quarter (7 to 1) second, Royal Bond (14 to 1) third. Time, 1:16 1-5.

Second race—four furlongs—Convent (4 to 1) first, Gramos (7 to 1) second, Lute Foster (9 to 1) third. Time, 1:12 3-5.

Third race—mile, selling—Tom Dolan (7 to 10) first, Granada (7 to 1) second, Tinker (15 to 1) third. Time, 1:22 2-5.

Fourth race—five furlongs, handicap—Toboggan (13 to 10) first, Sir Taddington (9 to 10) second, Bouvies (5 to 1) third. Time, 1:02.

Fifth race—mile and three-quarters—Mogano (5 to 1) first, Dr. Young (50 to 1) second, Marvin Neal (8 to 5) third. Time, 3:06.

Sixth race—mile, selling—Arabo (25 to 1) first, Pride of Woodstock (3 to 2) second, Red Coat (8 to 1) third. Time, 1:43.

Seventh race—mile and three-sixteenths, selling—Lady Ellison (13 to 1) first, Canyon (12 to 1) second, St. Noel (7 to 1) third. Time, 2:02 1-5.

NORTHSIDES WIN BY NINETEEN POINTS

Retail Merchants League to Begin Series at Lake Alleys To-Night.

In a hotly contested game of duck-plin at the Lake Alleys last night the Northsides defeated the West Ends by a total majority of nineteen pins in the three games. A large crowd witnessed the series, cheering their favorites on to victory. It was an exciting game from start to finish, and was much enjoyed by all the onlookers.

The scores were as follows:

NORTHSIDES.		
Vaden	85	87
Wilson	79	90
Eubank	82	91
Whitfield	97	85
Whitman	121	97
Totals	475	460

WEST ENDS.		
Van Duren	75	83
Blair	103	94
Lang	97	112
Green, P.	85	77
Green, L.	82	110
Totals	442	480

Gunther Defeats Caponi.

NEW CASTLE, Pa., February 20.—George Gunther, the Philadelphia colored fighter, defeated Tony Caponi, of Chicago, a middleweight, to-night in twelve rounds before the New Castle Athletic Club.

J. A. Mulhall, the New Southpaw, Who Comes Well Recommended



Has Played and Won Many Games From Big League Teams. Is a Big Young Fellow and a Fine Hitter.

J. A. Mulhall, of New York City, is a pitcher upon whom Manager Charlie Shaffer will depend a good deal for the winning of the pennant of the Virginia State League for the season of 1907.

Mulhall comes with recommendations that are high in every way. He is a big fellow, six feet tall; weighs 180 pounds, and is but twenty-two years old. His habits are exemplary, and it is said of him that he chews not, neither does he smoke; nor does he utter a curse word, and curse words are often warranted in the experience of baseball players. The new pitcher is a left-hander, and his twists have brought him many a victory.

Mulhall played the season of '04 with Irvington, N. J., A. C., where he won fifteen games and lost only four. The following season he played with the famous Kid Carey team of Brooklyn, the team which played Sunday ball with major league teams and won nearly all that it played. Last season he played with the New Brunswick, N. J., team, for whom he won eighteen games and lost only two. The young man has played against a number of National League teams and showed up with the highest credit, and so comes under the wing of Manager Shaffer with the best possible recommendations. He is a young man of excellent habits and besides having good pitching qualities, is a splendid hitter. Long, who won the highest average in hitting among the pitchers of last season, will have to justify for a like honor this year.

Auction Sales—This Day.

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Auction Trade Sale of Groceries, Liquors, &c.

John T. Anderson & Son's Large and Valuable Stock of Groceries, Wines, Whiskey, etc., Valued at Twelve Thousand Dollars.

AT AUCTION, TO THE TRADE, To-day, Thursday, Feb. 21st, Commencing at 10:30 A. M.

I will sell at John T. Anderson & Son's, 18 West Broad Street, corner of Broad Street and Brook Avenue, Groceries, Whiskey, Wines, etc., embracing in part original packages and fresh and desirable goods, as follows: 75 cases Octagon Soap, 40 cases Hummer Soap, 25 cases Quaker and Hamlet Soap, 40 cases Ark Soap, 25 cases Jumbo Soap, 25 cases Atlantic Matches, 21 cases Duke's Mixture and Greenback Smoking Tobacco, and the following Chewing Tobaccos:

75 caddies Grape, 75 caddies Reynolds's Sun-Cured Chewing, 10 caddies Old Fend 30 caddies Apple, 10 caddies Butler's Big Fig, 10 caddies Old Sol, 15 caddies Plum.

8,000 Cigars (assorted brands), 15,000 Cheroots (Old Va.), 75,000 Cigarettes (popular brands), 30 cases Corn, 25 cases Lyon Coffee, 15 cases Green and Black Tea (high-grade), 2,000 lbs. pure lard, 15 tons Milled Meal, 20 sacks Beans, 75 cases Good Luck Powder, 25 cases Sal Soda, 200 gross Flasks in pints and 1-2-pints, 1,500 Jugs and Demijohns, 30 boxes Ginger Snaps and Cakes, 25 bags shot (all sizes), 100 cases Potted Tongue, Ham, etc., 200 gross Ball Bluing, 100 gross Flavoring Extracts, 15 cases Perrot and Sons' Powder, 75 cases French Ingr Salt, 10 cases Ivory Starch, 25 cases Chalmers' Gelatine, 15 cases Star Lye, 25,000 Paper Bags (all sizes), 25 dozen Blacking Brushes, 150 lbs. Ground Pepper, 50 lbs. Cut Plug Tobacco, 700 lbs. Green Coffee, 20 gross Snuff, 15 cases Cheese, 10 cases Boston Baked Beans.

All the above are in original packages.

Also a very large and varied assortment of house shelf goods, such as Pickles, Mustard, Catsup, Tomatoes, Peaches, Corn, etc.

WHISKEY, WINES, ETC. AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M.—20 barrels Whiskey, Cider and Rum; 25 barrels High Spire Whiskey (in bond); 1 barrel Old Port Wine; 1 barrel Escapponing Wine, 200 bottles assorted Whiskey.

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VIRGINIA GIRL WILL NOT DRIVE

Miss Schenck Denies That She Will Show Alfred G. Vanderbilt's Horses at London.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

NEW YORK, February 20.—Miss Florence Schenck, the "Girl of the Blue Gloves," the youthful Virginia belle, who is living here for the present, is as spunky as she is beautiful. She has just made an emphatic denial of the report that she was to drive Alfred G. Vanderbilt's horses at the International Horse Show soon to be held in London.

Most young women would have thought themselves very fortunate to have been mentioned in this connection. She was indignant when she heard of the report.

Miss Schenck, who is only nineteen, is said to be distantly related to Mrs. Natalie Schenck Collier, who is married, and is said to be the daughter of a man, who, for some time at the Perry House and carefully chaperoned, has been one of the most noticeable box occupants at the local opera house. Her striking good looks and the gloves she wears contribute no little to the attention bestowed upon her.

Miss Schenck has never ridden or driven at any horse show in Virginia, and is not known in the horse world.

Baseball Gossip

Manager Shaffer is hard at work preparing the schedule of games for this season. He was in the depths yesterday afternoon working out the schedule, and is glad to be relieved for a few minutes of the trying and irksome labor. The opening game will be played on March 10th and a meeting of the league will be called five days later to consider the final and adopt the final schedule.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1907. As there will be a number of double-headers on the above named season, the opening March 18th, and will continue to the middle of September, being two weeks longer than it was last year.

This should give all the players plenty of opportunity to see all the baseball that their hearts may desire.

Manager Shaffer and his secretary, Joe Cuddy, who wished to be remembered to all of his Richmond friends.

It may go to Vicksburg, Miss., for this season. Negotiations between him and the Vicksburg manager are now pending. Cuddy, who is slow on his base running.

Titman, who started last season with Richmond and was finished up with the Truckers, may return to Richmond. He certainly will if Manager Shaffer can pull through with the deal for the outfielder and his secretary.

Manager Moss, of the Portsmouth team, Shaffer has made Moss a liberal offer for the outfielder and his secretary.

If "Buck" Hooker, who was with Vicksburg last season, is secured, he will be a big find for the team. Hooker, consisting of Sieble, Titman and Hooker, will be unsurpassed by any team in the Virginia League. All are good batters, and there is no question about their fielding qualities.

HAVE EARLIER FINALS.

Owing to Visit of V. P. I. Cadets to Exposition.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

BLACKSBURG, Va., February 20.—Owing to the visit of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute will make to Jamestown the first week in June, the commencement exercises will be held two weeks earlier than usual, and the order of exercises will be reversed, the last day instead of the first as in former years. The following program has been given out by President McBryde for the final exercises:

Junior and senior German, Wednesday, May 20th, 10 A. M.

Address before literary societies, Thursday, May 20th, 11 A. M.

Celebration Lee Literary Society, Thursday, May 20th, 8 P. M.

Alumni address, Friday, May 21st, 11 A. M.

Baccalaureate sermon, Sunday, June 23, 11 A. M.

Sermon before Y. M. C. A., Sunday, June 23, 8 P. M.

Visit of cadets to exposition, June 30 to 31, inclusive.

This program covers the dates for the literary exercises of commencement week. The usual competitive drill, sham battle and dress parades will be held on the afternoons of these days, just in what order has not yet been decided, but will be made public by the commandant, Colonel Jamison, in a few weeks.

The dates for the final ball and the senior promenade will be decided by the Gorman Club. The battalion will leave here on a special train for Jamestown, early on the morning of the 3d of June, and will camp at the exposition until Saturday of the same week. They will be disbanded at the exposition and leave for their homes from that place. The list of speakers for commencement has not been made up, but several orators of note will be here. It is probable that Dr. Thomas Nelson Page will be among them.

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In execution of a certain deed of trust of January 7, 1902, and duly recorded in Henrico County Court in D. B. 163 A, page 33, the undersigned, being authorized by the said deed, do hereby mention therein, will offer for sale at public auction, on the premises, on MONDAY, the 27th day of February, 1907, at 10:30 o'clock P. M., the real estate conveyed by said deed and described as Lots 24 and 25 in Block 13 of the subdivision of the land of the said W. T. Phidy, containing an area of sixty feet and running back the usual depth of lots in this division.

Terms: Cash on delivery, amounting to \$1,173.95; the balance at twelve months, for negotiable note with interest added and secured by the deed.

The trustee, however, is authorized by the holder of the deed to state that in lieu of the terms above mentioned, should the purchaser so desire, a very liberal arrangement can be made as to the debt mentioned.

H. A. McCURDY, Trustee.

By Bellard & Bagby, Real Estate Auctioneers.

COMMISSIONER'S AUCTION SALE

No. 2509 E. MARSHALL STREET.

A GOOD, EIGHT ROOM BRICK HOUSE

In execution of a decree of the Law and Equity Court of the City of Richmond, in and for the County of Henrico, in the case of the City of Richmond vs. the City of Richmond, the undersigned will sell at auction on the premises on

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1907, at 4:30 o'clock P. M., the above mentioned house and lot. The lot fronts on the City of Richmond, and is bounded by the City of Richmond, and the title of the property retained, or all cash, at option of the purchaser.

JOHN GALLAND POLLARD, Special Commissioner.

KATE C. BURCH, Guardian, Plaintiff.

KATE C. BURCH, et al., Defendants. Deft. in the Law and Equity Court of the City of Richmond.

I, P. P. Winston, Clerk of said Court, certify that the bond required of the Special Commissioner by the decree in the above case, of February 6, 1907, has been duly given.

Given under my hand this 11th day of February, 1907.

P. P. WINSTON, Clerk.

The above sale, on account of bad weather, is postponed until

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22D, at the same hour.

Notice.

Office of The Mayor, The City Hall, Richmond, Va., February 19, 1907.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22D, DAY OF FEBRUARY, BEING THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF GENERAL WASHINGTON AND A LEGAL HOLIDAY IN the City of Richmond.

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The Valentine Museum

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